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The Arizona Biomedical Research Commission (ABRC) is entering a new cycle of funding for health and medical research in Arizona. The Commissioners encourage the submission of quality research proposals. In addition, the Commissioners are aligning a portion of the available funding to support the recommendations found in the Arizona Biosciences Roadmap. This is an important and exciting time in the development of biomedical sciences in Arizona. The Commissioners are confident in the ability of the Arizona research community to meet the challenges.

A principal investigator is not eligible to receive more than one award in response to this RFP. Principal investigators may, however, submit more than one proposal. Those holding an ABRC contract are not encouraged to apply for a new award unless the principal investigator possesses a one year contract or is in the last year of a multi-year award. Only Category I proposals will be accepted during this cycle.

The accompanying RFP includes all the documents and forms necessary for submitting a proposal to the ABRC. Funding begins July 1, 2008. Please check to be sure you have all the items mentioned under Contents on the first page of the RFP. If you are missing a document, please contact our office as soon as possible. It is important that you read the RFP carefully and follow the instructions. **The Offeror is directed to the Statement of Work and Checklist.** The Work Statement and the Supporting Documents constitute the core elements of your proposed research project.

The deadline for receipt of proposals by the Commission is December 3, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. Proposals will not be accepted after 4:00 p.m. Facsimile, or E-mail copies will **not** be accepted.

If you know of other researchers who may be interested in responding to this RFP, who did not receive a copy, please ask them to contact this office at 602-542-1028 or e-mail their information to abrcl@getnet.net. I look forward to receiving your proposal(s). I wish you the best in the competition.

Sincerely,


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